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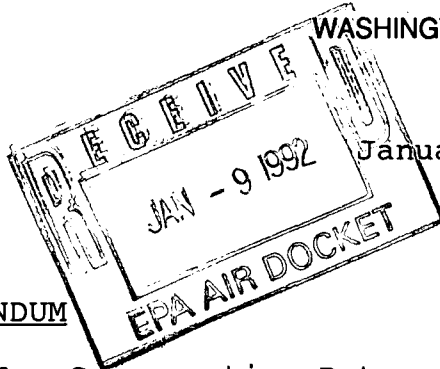
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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Conversation Between EPA Administrator William K. Reilly and Auto Industry Representatives

FROM: Stanley Stocker-Edwards, Attorney  
Air and Radiation Division, LE-132A

TO: Air Docket A-91-46

On Friday, December 19, 1991 Mr. Reilly spoke to Helen Petrauskas of Ford Motor Company and Betsy Ancker-Johnson of General Motors Corporation. The following is a summary of the conversations.

Ms. Petrauskas said that Ford's data on Ford Escorts and Explorers run on gasoline containing MMT was very disturbing and that the issue was a very significant one. At a time when standards were being tightened and compliance made more difficult the introduction of MMT would work against corporate efforts. She said that Ford's data was better than Ethyl's because the technology used in the Escorts is representative of future technology since the catalysts are closer to the heat source (close coupled). She also said that they saw the greatest emission problems with the Ford Escort and that such emission problems may result in a greater number of recalls for failure to comply with emission standards and greater failure of emissions control equipment.

Ms. Ancker-Johnson said that GM was very concerned that with the new tighter standards MMT may complicate GM's achievement of those standards.